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SYLLABUS OF LECTURES ON HUMAN EMBRYOLOGY. An introduction to the Study of Obstetrics and Gynæcology, for Medical Students and Practitioners. With a Glossary of Embryological Terms. By Walter Porter Manton, M.D. Professor of Clinical Gynæcology and Professor Adjunct of Obstetrics in the Detroit College of Medicine; Fellow of the Zoological Society of London, of the Michigan Academy of Sciences, etc. Third Edition. Philadelphia: F. A. Davis Company, Publishers.

The title of this book is a very comprehensive review of its contents. The first eight chapters are devoted to the subject proper, the ninth and last being devoted to the details of laboratory work in connection with the study of embryology. The whole book is interleaved with blank pages for a student's notes. It bears upon it the marks of a student's (medical student's) book, but it is safe to predict that until nurses have one of their own this one will have many readers. The question of how much or how little we shall teach children about reproduction is one to be set aside until we know more of the subject ourselves, and for this knowledge we need literature of a kind that the present book indicates rather inadequately.



"NATURE is often moderately well satisfied with very imperfect obedience, and if it were not so, I do not know how the poor could live, nor how the district nurse would find courage to continue her struggles on their behalf. A child may be most unsuitably and improperly fed, but if it has abundant fresh air, sufficient clothing, and a cheerful environment it may nevertheless flourish; or it may be well fed and left entirely unwashed, but with plenty of exercise and occasional change of underlinen, it may yet grow and thrive. For this reason let the district nurse take courage if she can improve even one condition of her patients' lives, if she can introduce flannel shirts here, open windows there, nourishing food somewhere else, and cleanliness in yet another quarter."—*The Nursing Times*.